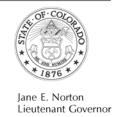
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ADOPTION LEGISLATION TO GET OWENS' SIGNATURE

Bills created from "The Lt. Governor's Committee to Promote Adoption"

(Denver) –Governor Bill Owens will sign three bills into law tomorrow that will help to serve Colorado children in need of finding a permanent home. Two of these bills were created from recommendations offered from *The Lt. Governor's Committee to Promote Adoption*, led by Lt. Governor Jane E. Norton.

What: Bill signing ceremony for HB 1037, HB 1170 and HB 1173

When: 2:00 p.m.

Where: Colorado State Capitol Building, West Foyer

Who: Governor Bill Owens

Lt. Governor Jane E. Norton

Representative Ted Harvey, Bill Sponsor

Senator Peter Groff, Bill Sponsor

Representative David Schultheis, Bill Sponsor

Senator Ed Jones, Bill Sponsor Attorney General John Suthers

Members from The Lt. Governor's Committee to Promote Adoption

Adoptive Families

Why: Owens will sign into law three bills aimed at eliminating barriers to

permanency that children in foster care face while waiting to be

adopted by loving families.